

**STATE FIRE MARSHAL  
DRAFT OF PROPOSED CHANGES  
TITLE 24, PART 2, CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE  
(OSHDPD Nurses Stations)**

**1007.5.4 Corridors.** Corridors serving any area caring for one or more nonambulatory persons shall not be less than 8 feet (2438 mm) in width.

**EXCEPTIONS:** 1. Corridors serving surgical areas of Group I, Division 1.2 Occupancies shall not be less than 6 feet (1829 mm) in width.

**[For SFM]** 2. *In Group I, Division 3 Occupancies such as jails, prisons, reformatories and similar buildings with open-barred cells forming corridor walls, the open-barred cell corridor walls or open-barred cell corridor doors need not be fire resistive.*

Any change in elevation in a corridor serving nonambulatory persons shall be by means of a ramp.

Corridors shall comply with the requirements of Section 1004.3.4, except that in hospitals and nursing homes classified as Group I, Division 1.1, 1.2, 2, and 3 Occupancies, the following exceptions apply:

1. Nurses' stations, **[For SFM]** protected by automatic sprinklers and smoke detectors including space for doctors' and nurses' charting and communications, constructed as required for corridors need not be separated from corridors.

- 1.1. For nurses stations in new and existing facilities see the California Fire Code and California Code of Regulations Title 19.

**Note:** For additional installation requirements for cabinets, appliances, computer equipment, security equipment, waste baskets, and furniture, see California Code of Regulations Title 19.

- 1.2. A minimum of one (1) smoke detector interconnected to the facility fire alarm system shall be installed directly above the nurses station.